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"Grandmathers" to Be Kept Out of News

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Are We a Leader Or a Headman?

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As we sat down to pound out our first "From the Editor's Desk" column, we began to wonder whether it was advisable to keep this name. It seemed to us that anything that was from the editor's desk had better be expressed on the editorial page. The picture that the title of the column always conjured up in our mind anyway was one of a bald little man with an eyeshade at a large desk with a telephone on either side of him. He was smoking furiously. Besides the fact that we knew we would never answer to this description, the name "From the Editor's Desk" had the sound of an infallible communique about it. And therefore insomuch as we know from past experience that we are not always infallible, and insomuch as we know most of the stuff which would be printed in the column would not come to us while sitting at the "Editor's Desk", but might come to us in the gym as we ground out our 105th minute of P. T. for the week or might even come to us after leaving the editor's desk for the night in order to get some sleep, we decided that it would be inadvisable, yea, intellectually dishonest, to call it "From the Editor's Desk". And thus we hit upon the idea of calling it "Ropes of Sand", for it will be a record of the unconnected thoughts which have struck us as important during the week, irregardless of where we were stricken.

One thing that always seems to mar college publications is the plethora of typographical errors that are usually to be found in them. While we must realize again that we are not infallible and that "grandmathers" are accepted in the best journalistic circles, we hereby pledge ourselves to keeping the "Tage Building" and the "Ball of Slanguages" out of the news as far as possible.

There was a time a month or so ago when there was a movement on the campus to try to get Glenn Miller for spring houseparties. We now see the reason why this plan fell through, for Glenn

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Geologists Take Little Falls Trip

The annual "rocks" trip for Geology 1-2 students was made to Little Falls on Saturday, April 27th, under the supervision of Professor Dale.

The forty geologists left the college at 8:00 a. m. in cars, and arrived at the Little Falls station at 9:00 o'clock. Starting from this point, the group, equipped with sacks for rock specimens and lunches, stopped first at the Little Falls dolomite deposit, where Professor Dale pointed out quartz formations. After discovering syenite outcrops along the Erie Canal, the men crossed over the big locks to inspect a variety of pot-holes.

Professor Dale and the students then went to Ingham Mills, where they ate lunch. During the afternoon, groups collected rock specimens from the Trenton and Utica formations and studied false diamond deposits at Middleville.

The footsore geologists arrived back on the Hill at 6:00 p. m. satisfied, as one student put it, that they had applied their "lab" work to the field.

Commencement Week Program to Be Altered

Luncheon for Alumni, Seniors, Faculty In New Gym

DANCE ON JUNE 14

Schedule to Include Prize Speeches, Baseball, and Charlatan Play

Three changes from former commencement proceedings will be made in the 1940 commencement.

There is to be no luncheon following the exercises on Monday, June 17. Instead, on Saturday, June 15, a luncheon will be given in the new gymnasium for the alumni, seniors, fathers of seniors, and faculty. At this luncheon there will be a speech by one of the recipients of honorary degrees and by the president of the senior class.

The alumni will elect officers at the luncheon Saturday afternoon instead of at a special meeting in the chapel Saturday morning, as has been done before.

The third change concerns the dinners and reunions of the classes of the alumni. The classes will hold their reunions Saturday evening instead of Saturday noon.

The schedule of commencement week-end is as follows: on Friday, June 14, at 3:00 p. m., there will be a meeting of the trustees. At 4:00 p. m. the McKinney Prize Declamation contest will be held in the chapel. The Charlatans' play will be given in Commons at 8:30 p. m. At 11:00 p. m. the Senior Ball is to take place in the new gymnasium.

On Saturday, June 15, at 12:30 p. m. there will be the alumni-senior-faculty luncheon in the gymnasium, with elections for alumni officers. A baseball game, varsity vs. alumni, will be played at 2:30. The president's reception will last from 4:00 to 6:00 p. m. in the library.

On Sunday, June 16, Bishop Malcolm Peabody will preach the baccalaureate sermon at 11:00 a. m. in the chapel. The annual meeting of Pentagon will be held at 2:15. At 3:00 p. m. the class day exercises will take place in the chapel. At 5:00 p. m. the choir will give a recital in the chapel. The Clark Prize Oration will be given in the chapel at 8:15 p. m. And at 9:30 p. m. there will be a college sing.

On Monday, June 17, the one hundred and twenty-eight commencement of Hamilton College will be held in the chapel.

Sunny Dale Honored By Boston 'Globe' Sportswriters

"The Boston Globe" in picking its annual all-eastern college hockey squad on March 19, 1940, named "Sunny Dale", versatile Hamilton center, worthy of honorable mention. Picking a first squad of sixteen players from the thirty-three college teams in the East, Leonard M. Fowle, hockey writer for the "Globe", ranked Dale along with twenty-four other leading skaters, in which was included Ray Chaisson of Boston College, the East's leading scorer.

'Life' Poll Favors Tom Dewey and Republican Party

Undergraduates Want CAA Air Training, All-College Dance During Parties

Undertaking a cross-section poll of the opinions of Hamilton College students on important current questions, **Hamilton Life** distributed questionnaires in Monday morning chapel.

The first question, "To which political party do you belong?", resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Republicans who garnered 112 votes. 28 votes were cast for the Democratics, six for the Socialists and 47 declined to state a preference.

The answers to the second question, "Whom do you favor for the presidential nomination from your party?", were many and varied. 64 Republicans chose Dewey, and Taft ran a poor second with 21 backers. Vandenburg received ten ballots, Hoover four, Garner one, while 12 were undecided.

With 18 votes, President Roosevelt easily won the Democratic race, with no one even a fairly warm second. Garner and Wheeler each received two votes, while Hull, Farley, and Dewey got one apiece. Three were not sure whom to select.

Of the six socialist ballots, Thomas had three, Browder two, and Dewey one.

In the 47 independents, the men without a party, the nominations were scattered far and wide. Although 28 men left the question blank, four chose Roosevelt, three each were for Dewey and Taft,

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Hill Debate Stars Active in Eighth Annual Assembly

Eight Delegates Represent Hamilton in Week-end Legislative Group

Eight members of the Hamilton College debating squad attended the Eighth Annual New York State Intercollegiate Student Assembly, held at Colgate University in Hamilton Friday and Saturday, April 26 and 27.

The Hamilton men, W. E. Griffith, H. J. McCormick, R. E. Hansmann, '40, R. E. Peach, R. W. Towner, A. B. Hooke, '41, D. McL. Appleton, and J. V. Knight, '42, were among representatives from twenty-six other member colleges of the New York State Debate Conference, which fostered the assembly, modeled after the state assembly.

All of the delegates attended the opening meeting, where they heard speeches by President G. B. Cutten, of Colgate and Maurice Hindus, noted author, lecturer, and Colgate alumnus. Following these speeches, a message from Governor Lehman was read to the delegates.

The assembly was then divided into two sections; one composed of the various committees of the legislature, the other portraying the actual assembly in session. Four committees were formed to draw up bills which were presented to the assembly on Saturday morning. Peach was a member of the committee on milk control; Hansmann the transportation committee; McCormick county government; and Towner the committee on relief. Each committee heard testimony from state experts in regard to their particular field. Among those who testified was C. H. Baldwin, father of K. M. Baldwin, '40, and executive secreary of the Metropolitan Bargaining Agency of Syracuse.

The bills were presented to the assembly, which met in the Colgate chapel Saturday morning. Hamilton was represented on the floor of the meeting by Appleton, Griffith, Hooke, and Knight. The preceedings were marked by lengthy debates on all questions, but Griffith reported that little was

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Faculty, Seniors Keep Tradition

Faculty members and seniors met around the bridge table for the third time this semester on last Wednesday evening at the Faculty Club. Nearly forty-eight men were present.

The faculty, who were tied with the undergraduates at one tournament all, displayed a fine knowledge of the game by defeating their younger opponents by a small margin. The team of Mr. Shepard and Mr. Bennett, with Mr. Johnson substituting, made the highest score.

Although no definite arrangements have been made for continuing the tournaments this season, a committee of faculty members and seniors are now making plans for an informal party of professors and June graduates to be held on May 20th, in the Alumni Gymnasium.

If the new pool is ready for use, an aquatic exhibition will be the opening feature at 8:30 p. m.; following this, a floor show is to be presented by both faculty members and students, during which time refreshments will be served. The pool will then be open to the men in the party.

The committee in charge of this affair includes Coach Prettyman, Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Nesbitt, Mr. Johnson, Bob Forbush, Boris Klosson, and LeRoy Ladd.

New Dean Takes Up Duties Today

Dr. Dickson Will Interview Seniors to Assist in Job Placement

Campbell Dickson, new Dean of Students, takes up his duties on the Hill today. Mr. Dickson has been travelling around the country for the last few months studying student personnel problems in eastern colleges and universities.

Dr. Dickson, who claims that his name is spelled the correct way and that all who spell their name Dixon are decendants of a miller who wrote his name in the shortened form to save printing costs on flour bags, is well fitted for his new job. 36 years old, he has practised law, coached football teams, written short stories, taught Greek culture, counselled students, and climbed mountains. In addition to this, it is rumored that his wife has a pilot's license.

Dr. Dickson has also indulged in fiction writing, "My friends seem to like my short stories, says Dickson, "I only wish the magazine editors did", Magazine editors haven't been worrying him for the past few weeks though, since in addition to his visits to neighboring colleges, he has also been having his furniture moved east. Dr. and Mrs. Dickson plan to live in the house now occupied by Mr. Coughlin.

The new dean first became aware of Hamilton when, as a Psi Upsilon pledge at Chicago, he discovered that the group had a chapter at Hamilton. Although he did not come to Clinton until 1939 he had long held a high opinion of the college.

Dr. Dickson was favorably impressed by his first visit, and since has become firmly convinced that Hamilton is most fortunately situated when compared with other eastern small colleges. "The big universities are planning ways of sud-dividing themselves into smaller units in order to bring their students the unquestioned values of a small college", he says. "At Hamilton—why we already have what the big universities are seeking."

In connection with his duties as student counsellor, Dickson will spend the remainder of this semester conferring individually with the seniors, with the intention of placing them in jobs.

Mrs. Dickson, formerly Elizabeth Stone, is the daughter of Dr. John Timothy Stone. Dr. Stone is the president of the Chicago Theological Seminary, and a former Pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago. Hamilton's President Stryker was once pastor of that church. Mrs. Dickson attended Dana Hall and Smith College before going to the University of Chicago where she received her Ph.B.

Over 200 Houseparty Guests to Arrive Friday

Honor Court Announces Fourth Conviction Of Year

Stephen E. Kelly, '40, chairman of the Honor Court, announced Monday the conviction of an underclassman for violation of the pledge rule. The court has disposed of three cases of this nature during the current year.

The student who was recently tried was guilty of violating the composition pledge by copying his work from a source other than his own and then affixing the usual pledge to his work. The penalty in this case was failure in the course.

Harpist Featured At Final Concert Of Current Season

Mrs. J. Blyth Gives Solos, College Choir Sings In Commons

The Musical Arts Society presented its last concert of the season Sunday evening in the Hall of Commons. The concert included selections by the college choir and featured Mrs. John W. Blyth in a number of harp solos.

The program was opened by the college choir, which sang a group of five songs—Kyrie Eleison, from Mass in C Minor by Beethoven, Introit, from Mass for Men's Voices by Shubert, Sanctus by Schubert, Ave Maria by Abe, and O Rejoice Ye Christians Loudly, by Bach.

Mrs. John W. Blyth then presented three pieces on the harp. They were Ballade for Harp by Zabel, Fantasie by St. Saens, and Contemplation by Henritte Renie, Mrs. Blythe's former teacher. Although the audience was small, it was enthusiastic, and Mrs. Blyth was forced to play another piece before she could retire from the platform.

The program continued with the Quintet in A Major for Clarinet and String Quartet by Mozart. Mr. William Schueler, director of the college band and former clarinetist with Sousa's Band, played the clarinet for this number, and the string quartet was made up of Leo Hahn, Charles Budesheim, and Felix Magendanz, violinists, and Reginald Oberriter, 'cellist, all of the Utica Civic Orchestra.

The next number was Ravel's

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Hill Plans Week-end Of Gaiety, Dancing, Merrymaking

TEAMS IN ACTION

Webermen Play Rochester; Track, Golf Teams Face Dutchmen Here

Hamilton's annual spring houseparties will be held this week-end with guests expected from such diverse places as Brooklyn, Hackensack, Clinton, and Paris, France. Dancing at most of the houses will start at ten Friday evening and stop somewhere between three and five in the morning.

As usual, Saturday classes have been cancelled, but at noon, for the benefit of early risers, D. T. will put on its annual play, "Romeo and Juliet, in front of North College.

Three intercollegiate contests will take place on the local campus Saturday afternoon: At 1:15, a track meet with Union; at 2:30 a golf match, also with Union; and at 3:00, a baseball game with Rochester.

The list of week-end guests, follows.

Sigma Phi—Dorothy Wende, Buffalo; Anne Quinby, New York; Hope Graves, Providence, R. I.; Celine Roll, Scarborough; Louise Quinby, New York; Emily Wilcox, Syracuse; Molly Hartwell, Stamford; Fran Zabler, Glendale; B. G. Boyd, Poughkeepsie; Kay Keeler, Yonkers; Dorothy Watters, White Plains; Joan Hamilton, White Plains; Betty Williford, White Plains; Nancy Kincaid, Washington, D. C.; Elumed MacLaren, Brooklyn; Mary Cliff LaForce, Kansas City, Missouri; Barbara Hagar, New Rochelle; Josephine Davis, Port Chester. Chaperones: Mr. and Mrs. William Westcott, Jr., Utica. Band: Ray Keating.

Alpha Delta Phi—Virginia Prout, Boston, Mass.; Jean Armitage, New York; Annette Gignoux, Paris, France; Barbara Conger, Ardsley-on-Hudson; Jean Rearick, Wellesley; Jean Harrison, Westfield, N. J.; Kay Carey, Vassar; Rosalie Phillips, Chicago, Ill.; Carlotta Slocum, Skidmore; Irene Archbold, Syracuse; Marjorie

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Debaters Speak Twice at Troy

Twice this month the McKinney Prize debaters, Murray Shepp, Harry McCormick, William E. Griffith and Boris H. Klosson, all '40, put on debates in Troy by invitation of local organizations. On April 8th they appeared before the Mens Brotherhood of the Second Presbyterian Church at a dinner meeting at which they were guests, and were greeted by a large and responsive audience. On April 23rd they journeyed again to Troy to appear before the Society for Spoken English, the president of which is the noted blind R. P. I. professor of mathematics, Dr. James McGiffert. Dr. McGiffert gave a dinner for them, and following the debate they were given a supper at the home of Mr. Frederick Fear.

By special request of each organization, they spoke both times on isolation, the affirmative being upheld by McCormick and Griffith, and the negative by Shepp and Klosson. Following each debate the meeting was thrown open for questions on the subject from the audience.

Bacon Receives Fellowship For Isolation of Hormone

Robert L. Bacon, '40, of Cape Vincent, N. Y., was awarded the highest honor in science given by Hamilton College when he received the coveted Root Fellowship last Saturday. Bacon earned this award for his outstanding work towards isolating the male hormone in the earthworm.

Bacon has been working in this line of research for the past two years with the assistance of Professor Walter N. Hess of the Hamilton biology department.

On being questioned concerning his discovery, Bacon replied, "This talk of 'isolation' is not exactly correct. I would rather say that evidence seems to point to the fact that the controlling agent in the development and growth of the clitellum of the earthworm lies and is produced in glandular cells of the seminal vesicles. However, it is not as yet isolated. Its activation can be likened to the active agency of thyroxin in humans and other vertebrates."

Bacon's findings seem to indicate that this hormone stimulates the formation of the clitellum or ring-like sac. Apparently this male hormone seems to activate an essentially feminine structure located on the common earthworm, which is hermaphroditic. Bacon is believed to be the first to discover this activating agent.

The Root Fellowship, a one thousand dollar stipend, is given for one year for graduate study at any American or European university. Bacon has chosen Yale University, where he plans to do more research and perhaps teach in the field of zoology after his year of study as Root fellow is up.

Ham Life Quizzes Seniors On Post Graduation Plans

Most important of coming events to Hamilton seniors is commencement, for with that day some ninety men versed in the secrets of the liberal arts will have completed four years of undergraduate work and will be faced with the task of breadwinning or further college work. **Hamilton Life** inquired into what some seventy of these men plan to be doing next year, and herewith presents its findings.

Largest single group consists of those men who plan to take up post—graduate studies. Twenty-eight seniors will go to medical, business, law, or technical schools next fall.

Twelve men plan to go into business after graduation. This group consists of those men who are not too sure what business they will enter, but who are sure that they will not join the ranks of professional workers. Added to this number can be those who stated the specific business in which they would be employed. At this early date Hamilton men intend to work in many varied fields, some of which are: insurance, oil, Eastman Kodak, New Jersey Zinc Co., Vicks Co., and the New York Telephone Co.

Sigma Phi seniors have annouced their plans for next year in the following manner: William E. Davis, Donald S. Connell, and George W. Merck are all aimed for as yet unspecified business careers. Peter F. Warfield and William A. Bramley are to be doing graduate work. Robert E. LaForce will be doing graduate work in history. Robert H. Heidner will be at M. I. T. studying chemistry.

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THE BEST CLASS EVER?

Although the alumni can do much to interest high school and preparatory school graduates in Hamilton, it is really the undergraduates themselves who should take the greatest interest in recruiting applicants for the college. It is the students who are most closely in touch with conditions as they are at the college and who are, as a result, best able to answer the questions of prospecive Hamilton men.

Recently it was announced that the annual sub-freshman week-end will take place on May 24 and 25. Here is an excellent opportunity to invite someone whom you believe would make a good Hamilton man to see the campus, meet the students, and participate in the college activities for the week-end. Last year more than one hundred and fifty sub-freshmen visited the Hill and it was largely from this group that the present freshman class was drawn. It must be obvious that the larger a group of qualified men apply for admission, the better the resulting class will be. Now that Hamilton's admission requirements have been streamlined the only thing necessary for an excellent entering class next fall is the cooperation of students and alumni in inducing men of good calibre to try for admission.

In the past the students have sometimes failed in their duty to cooperate with the administration and alumni in this matter. Such was the situation over the Christmas holidays when the admissions officers presented eight fraternities with lists of applicants who live in the same towns as men in the various houses. Of the eight fraternities who received lists, only one showed any evidence of having followed up the lead given them by the administration by interviewing applicants and interesting them in Hamilton.

Thus it is that we present to the undergraduate body a tangible plan whereby the students can help make the class of 1944 the best ever to enter the college. First, we would ask every undergraduate to stay on the Hill the week-end of May 24 and 25. Secondly, we would ask each man to give the office the name of at least one boy whom he thinks might be interested in the college. Thirdly, we would ask each fraternity to entertain those who visit Clinton in May not as prospective material for future delegations, but as guests of the college who merit consideration regardless of whether they shape up to the requirements of the fraternity. And lastly we would ask each man to go over to Mr. Bennett's office before June and get a list of the men from his home town who have applied for admission.

With this plan each student will be an ambassador of Hamilton in cooperating with the alumni in interesting people in the college. Let us start on the road to making Hamilton "the best small college in the country" by helping to make the class of 1944 the best ever to enter the college.

IN RE: D. T.

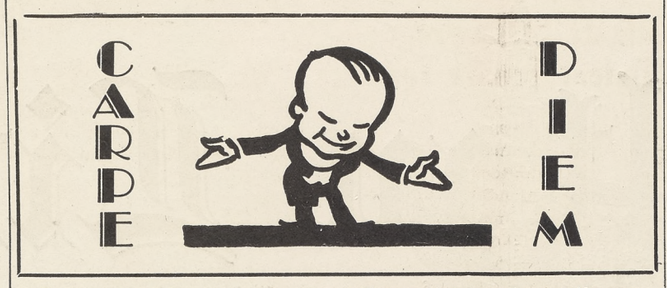
Below the picture of D. T. in the HAMILTONIAN for 1939 were the following statements. "The club has an unofficial function of promoting good fellowship on the campus, and this year has decided on a more definite policy to pursue. Its members have taken it upon themselves to be a 'key' society for teams visiting the Hill . . . Bridge parties and dances will be provided in the future for visitors to the college and will make their short stay on the Hill a memorable one."

These words sound as if the members of the organization had some qualms about the inactivity of their group in the past and intended to redefine their position on the Hill. You know as well as we that these high purposes were not fulfilled this year.

Probably the only manifestation of the existence of D. T. on the campus during the year is its annual initiation. This thirteen day travesty is of the most ridiculous nature. Rather than lending "color" to campus life, it displays a lack of control over infantile complexes probably not to be equaled at many colleges or even high schools in the country. And furthermore, the initiation diverts from their studies the attention of the thirteen members of the freshman class who are supposed to be most outstanding. Thus, because it does this, and becaue it is a farce which, if carried on for a day or two might provide amusement, and which when carried on for two weeks becomes a magnificant bore, we see no reason for its continuance.

As for the society itself, to gain the respect of the rest of the undergraduates it ought to make itself a more active organization. To mention just a few of the things which it might do that would be a credit to it and to the college, we would suggest the following: first, act as an "open door committee" for visiting teams; second, help in the arrangement of such a college function as sub-freshman week-end; third, sponsor lectures, concerts, or dances in much the same way that the Squires Club sponsored the U. F. A. choir concert earlier in the year; fourth, sponsor teas or discussion groups to knit the students and faculty into a closer relationship; fifth, act as an underclass interfraternity council to promote better understanding between the houses by arranging such things as exchange dinners. As for the inevitable rebuttel that all this would cost money, we reply that the money now spent on chewing gum and peanuts during initiation might well be turned into these more beneficial channels.

To sum up, we plead that D. T. abolish or make more adult its present form of initiation and try to make its function on the campus more tangible than its present "unofficial policy of promoting good followship." It should in other words, either make itself more of a force on the campus or be dissolved as a waste of time, money, and balloons.



That quick who-o-o-o-o-osh of grinding metal heard over the campus a few days back was not the Twentieth Century Limited, under forced draft but rather, the Gardner "Stars and Scroll" on its trial run from the Aurora to the Greenwich terminal special delivery collect. The management claims that the entire trip was accomplished without loss of life or limb, but seems to have a sort of harried look in its eyes.

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We've heard of people who have bumped into doornobs in the dark, fallen over tiny black dogs in the rain, but never of anyone who garnered a black eye via the Jim Knight method. Filing into a pew, he slipped on a greasy spot, whacked his trick knee against the back, knocked the leg out of joint, fell over backwards and landed on an inkbottle. We're not vouching for one side or the other, but we are gently saying, "Huh? ? ?"

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To date, the Spring Party record-holders are Farley Fish, who has asked nine girls all of whom can't come; and R. Wampler Wilkerson, who has asked three, all of whom can; and probably will be arriving on the same train.

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Geology cut quite a caper over the last week, and the boys got themselves run pretty well 'into the ground.' Most everybody went 'under the surface' of the matter, but only George Kempsell went into it so deeply that he ended up flat on his face in the mud at the bottom of the Erie Barge Canal.

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The real exponential signs of spring have come at last—Murphy and Barlow in shorts. Their first appearance was met with great consternation, since theTheta Delt house dinner rules prescribe "coat, shirt, and tie," but ignore the matter of pants...as did Murphy and Barlow. Blue Laws are being clamped down by a special committee, but the "international situation" of their wearing them to classes is making the whole problem just a little bit complicated.

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Ibbey is coming to party, but only with Dachshunds this time. You will probably remember her as Hardo's date, who came complete with two tiny "walking sausages," and a great dane for playthings. In the interim, it seems that she both literally and figuratively "picked up her dogs and went home;" but since then, the great dane has died, so Ibbey has gone back to Hardo, and...

THE PARTY MOVES ON

Inquiring Reporter

"What Do You Think is Hamilton College's Greatest Need?"

Ralph E. Hansmann, '40:

"I think that Hamilton's greatest need is the breaking down of fraternity walls. I have noticed that the first thing a Hamilton graduate mentions is not his college but his fraternity. Breaking down the fraternity walls by means of inter-fraternity athletics, inter-fraternity bridges and social events would go far toward fulfilling this need.

"Another thing which Hamilton needs more of is winning athletic team. These, I believe, would place the college above the fraternity in the undergraduate mind, as well as increase college spirit among the alumni."

Richard R. Evans, '41:

"I believe that Hamilton's greatest need is closer contacts between the fraternities and closer relations between the individual members of the fraternities. This would probably increase the feeling of the students as members of the college.

"Another thing which Hamilton needs is more informal relations between the faculty and students, although the present conditions may well be the fault of the students."

Armand H. Hoch, '42:

"I think that Hamilton needs more all-college functions, such as all-college dinners and dances. The fraternities should be more friendly toward one another, so that the members of one fraternity would not necessarily be connected only with the other members of that fraternity.

"Another thing which Hamilton needs is more active participation in athletics. I think that the present large number of students out for track is a good start toward this."

Richard B. Pippitt, specializing in pathology at the General Hospital in Boston, Mass., has received appointments covering 3 or 4 year training course in ophthalmology.

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Hill Nine Drops Opening Contest Of Year to Swarthmore Team, 6-4

Webermen Hold Lead Until Ninth Inning; Young, Petronio Star

Holding a two run lead most of the game, the Hill nine was beaten, 6-4 here last Saturday afternoon by a Swarthmore team which was handed the game on unearned runs in the ninth and tenth innings.

The game, which was the Continental opener this season, found Les Young pitching beautiful ball most of the time. The initial tally of the game came in the first half of the fourth when Swarthmore brought in one man. Hamilton answered with two runs in their half of the inning as Forbush and Sackett crossed home plate to give the Webermen a 2-1 lead.

The Pennsylvanians were retired in quick order in the fifth, and the Buff and Blue picked up two more runs when Petronio and Forbush went the round of the bases. In the first of the sixth the visitors had two outs on them when first baseman Asinof got a three-base hit to bring in Crothers, who was on first. The score remained 4-2 in favor of the Hamilton nine during the seventh and eighth innings.

In the ninth the Swarthmore team again had two outs and two strikes, and the game was considered over. But Huhn, McCone, and Shaw all got to base on errors. Dietz, Pennsylvania shortstop, got off a long drive to right field and Huhn and McCone scored, the latter on an overthrow to the plate. Crothers struck out, and the Hillmen got their chance to make a winning run to break the 4-4 tie in the ninth.

Jack Williams, Hill second baseman, got to second on a fumble and Petronio sacrificed bringing Williams to third where he was boxed, but he made the sack safely. Forbush flied to the Swarthmore catcher and Davis flied to shortstop to retire the Hillmen.

Bob Williams relieved Young on the mound in the tenth after the Hill starting hurler had sprained his back. Asinof, Swarthmore first baseman, got a single and then Williams struck out Warburton and Pease. Eberle, the Quaker center fielder drove a fast one out to left to score Asinof and give Swarthmore a lead, winning the game for Swarthmore. Huhn followed with a double, giving the invaders their winning score of 6-4 when Eberle reached home.

The Hillmen made a final effort to win back the game they had earlier seemed to have in the bag. Sackett walked; Bob Williams was out at first, putting Sackett on second. Stockdale, batting for Miller, sacrificed to put Sackett on third. Warfield struck out and the game was over.

The lack of practice for the Hillmen occasioned by weather conditions was apparent throughout the game. Base sliding and catching by the home team showed up badly against the work of the invaders, who had already had several games this season. The experience last Saturday should put the Webermen in shape for the game today with Albany State and with Rochester here this Saturday. Les Young and Art Petronio played a nearly flawless game, and, with some improvement in the infield the Hillmen should shape up into a good team.

Box score of Hamilton-Swarthmore baseball game:

Hamilton

	ab	r	h	o	a
Joy, ss	5	0	0	0	3
J. Williams, 2b	3	0	0	5	4
Petronio, c	4	1	2	8	1
Forbush, 3b	4	2	1	2	1
Davis, cf	5	0	1	1	0
Sackett, lb	4	1	0	10	0
R. Williams, rf-p	5	0	1	1	3
Miller, lf	2	0	1	1	0
Young, p	3	0	1	0	8
Warfield, lf	1	0	0	0	0
*Stockdale	1	0	0	0	0
	37	4	7	30	20

Swarthmore

	ab	r	h	o	a
Shaw, lf	5	0	0	1	1
Dietz, ss	5	1	2	2	2
Crothers, 2b	5	1	1	3	3
Asinof, lb	4	1	2	13	3
Warburton, 3b	4	0	0	2	2
Pease, rf	5	0	1	0	0
Eberle, cf	5	1	2	3	3
Huhn, c	4	1	2	6	6
McCone, p	5	1	0	0	0
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Sidewalk Superintendent Says . . .

Mr. Robert Thomas, superintendent of the new gymnasium, reports that the work in the gym proper is well under way with the ceiling and trusses already painted and work on the floor scheduled to begin soon.

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In the last week, the contractor has also finished putting floor hardener on all concrete floors in the building. All tile floors have been waxed, and the gutters on the exterior of the building have been repaired.

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Mr. Humphrey, who will have charge of the operation of the gymnasium after its completion, stated that the water softener is now being used and that the swimming pool was filled last week to clean out the pipe lines. The lockers and shower facilities for the visiting teams in the basement of the building were used by the Swarthmore nine and the Colgate tennis team. Home teams are not yet using their new shower and locker space.

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The wooden blocks which were put in the passageway between the gym and the Sage Building have buckled, and the contractor has replaced these blocks with a concrete floor.

Colgate, St. Lawrence Defeat Tennis Team

Opening its season against a strong Colgate team, the 1940 edition of the Hamilton tennis team was swamped Monday, 9-0. Failing to win even one set or carry one of the Red Raiders to a deuce set, the Gelasmen were handicapped by the fact that they had had so little practice.

The singles:

Bowler defeated Abbey, 6-1, 6-4; Borkhuis defeated Phelps, 6-0, 6-1; Reid defeated McLenathan, 6-2, 6-1; Andrews defeated Harder, 6-2, 6-0, Barrett defeated Dale, 6-0, 6-2; Miller defeated Pope, 6-,1 6-1; Adams defeated Smith, 6-1,6-4.

The doubles:

Borkhuis and Bowles defeated Abbey and McLenathan, 6-3, 6-1; Andrews and Barrett defeated Phelps and Dale, 6-4, 6-4; Reid and Miller defeated Jessup and Harder, 6-1, 6-0.

Yesterday the netmen journeyed to Canton where they were turned back by a superior St. Lawrence team. The matches were played on asphalt courts and finished up with Hamilton on the lean end of a 5-3 score.

The singles:

Seeler (St. L.) defeated Abbey, 6-1, 6-0; McLenathan (H) defeated Gunnison, 9-7, 0-6, 11-9; Phelps, (H) defeated Connors, 8-6, 6-3; Fajen (St. L.) defeated Harder, 9-7, 6-4; Jameson (St. L.) defeated Dale, 6-1, 8-6; and Pope (H) defeated Trulock, 6-1, 6-2.

The doubles:

Seeler and Gunnison defeated Abbey and McLenathan, 6-1, 6-4; Connors and Fajen defeated Phelps and Dale, 6-1, 6-4; Harder and Pope were leading Jameson and Trulock, 6-4, 3-2 when the match was called because of rain.

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Golf Team Bows, 8-1 To Syracuse Linksmen

In the first golf match of the season, Hamilton bowed before a strong Syracuse University squad to the tune of 8 to 1 at the Bellevue Golf and Country Club in Syracuse.

Geer was the sole Hamilton victor, defeating Naylor of Syracuse 2 to 1. Rogers of Hamilton was beaten 6 to 4, Keefe was downed 5 to 4, Bush was defeated 3 to 1, and Gouge and Cantor also lost their matches to Syracuse players.

At the ninth hole, a good imitation of a hurricane arose to make the going miserable from there in. The golf team seems to be plagued by bad weather. The Hobart match scheduled for April 20 had to be called off because the course here was not in playing condition.

Next Saturday, May 4, the squad will match strokes with Union in the first home contest of the year. The following Tuesday, May 7, St. Lawrence will be at Clinton; on May 15, the Hamilton team will travel to Schenectady for a return match with Union.

Softball Games Begin Tonight

With daylight saving time and warm temperatures, softball enthusiasts have been warming up their pitching arms, getting their batting eyes and practicing their fielding for the coming softball season.

First games of the intra-mural softball league were scheduled for tonight between the Alpha Delts and the Theta Delts and between Sigma Phis and the Chi Psis.

This spring the fraternities have been divided into three leagues, composed as follows:

League A—Chi Psi, Sigma Phi, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Upper Squires.

League B—Alpha Delta Phi, Theta Delta Chi, Emerson Literary Society, Lambda Chi Alpha.

League C—Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Lower Squires.

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The city editor reaches for his phone, calls the make-up editor in the composing room. "How we doing?" he asks. "This City Hall story looks pretty hot."

"We're going to be tight. Keep it down," warns the make-up editor. "We can't squeeze the Washington story another inch."

"Okay," responds the city editor. He looks at the penciled layout for Page One, scribbles some figures in the upper corner of the sheet of copy, and with an expert twist sends it sailing onto the big horseshoe desk next to his own.

"We're tight, Mac," he calls to the man in the slot. "Cut it a third."

▶ Seventeen minutes now to the deadline . . . only ten for cutting, editing, headline-writing. For those vital ten minutes, the responsibility rests on the shoulders of the man in the slot . . . newspaper parlance for the head of the copy desk.

A dozen considerations flash their chain lightning patterns across the slot man's mind. Tyler's story . . . Tyler the brilliant and touchy. He got it out of that certain municipal department which is giving off a faintly gamy odor. The boss will want it in all editions. This isn't the big break though, just another build-up to it. Damn good story . . . real stuff in every paragraph. Hard to cut. Needs a headline with sock. Who's to handle it? Ward's fooling around with that zoo story . . . Won't do, his cuts make Tyler sore. Colihan's a better bet.

"Colihan," says the man in the slot. One of the furious pencil-wielders around the rim of the horseshoe looks up. "Cut this a third and put a thirty-six head on it in time for the bulldog."

All this has used up fifteen seconds.

Colihan has nine and a half minutes to cut and edit and write a top headline and sub-headline. Every line of both headlines must count exactly so many characters and spaces, figuring *i* as a half and *m* and *w* one and a half characters.

Then the slot man will take just fifteen seconds more to review Colihan's work, change "banned" to "curbed," sniff the whole concoction for traces of libel, and shoot it to the news editor in the composing room.

It is a shorter story than Tyler's original, and a better one—keener of edge, swifter of impact, yet complete in every essential detail.

▶ The slot is not a glamorous job. It hasn't been discovered by Shubert Alley or the fiction magazines. To the cub reporter, eager for by-lines and self-expression, the whole copy desk looks like a backwater. It takes maturity—grasp of the whole art of news presentation—to appreciate the little miracles that a good copy desk passes.

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HOUSEPARTY—

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PsiUpsilon—Jean Evans, Cleveland, Ohio; Dorothy Peckham, Clinton; Elaine Eaton, Andover, Mass.; Nancy Marlowe, Syracuse; Virginia Prickett, West Point; Jeanette Mason, Keuka; Ibbie McClure, Syracuse; Barbara White, Skidmore; Ruth Johnson, Rochester; Betty Baxter, Edgewood Park; Marge Kelsey, Albany; Lois LaDow, Skidmore; Lucy Ibbotson, Cortland; Virginia Van Vranken, Wells; Elizabeth Lewis, Syracuse; Teedle Farley, Rochester; Vicki Peake, Wells; Ruth Cotins, New Hartford; Dot Farrell, Syracuse; Betty Geary, Albany; Brenda Bendirson; Sarah Lawrence; Becky Gale, Cleveland, Ohio; Elizabeth Titus, Wellesley; Faith Dale, Cold-Srings-on-Hudson; Elizabeth Todd, New York; Betty Jane Ryan, Syracuse; Rita Morelli, William Smith; Doris Brinsmaid, Lyndonville.. Band: Pete Renzi. Chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lindemer, Syracuse.

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LIFE POLL—

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two each selected Hull, Vandenberg and Willkie, and one each was cast for both Gannett and Thomas. But there was one individual who firmly stated that the "best man is Ralph Carr, governor of Colorado." Does that sound like Chuck Root?

A landslide victory for the affirmative marked the question, "Do you think that the Civil Aeronautics Authority student training plan should be adopted at Hamilton if it can be made practicable?" Of the 193 balloters, 140 answered yes against 40 dissenters, and only five were undecided.

A victory for the negative, almost as great as that of the affirmative in question three, was chalked up on the question, "Do you think **Hamilton Life** should carry editorials concerning national affairs?" With varying degrees of emphasis from underlinings to blasphemy, 136 voters answered "No", 48 were in favor of it, and nine did not reply. Some comments on the question were "a student publication about the students," "definitely not!", "No". "Hard enough for editors to be heard in local affairs." "Surely", "No—they'd always reek Republicanism," but three said "not more than one a month", "limited to not more than two per issue", and "one a week."

In the last question, "Do you think there should be an all-college dance during spring houseparties?", a two to one victory was recorded for the yessers who counted 128 votes. The negative garnered 60 votes, while five gave no opinion. Eight men answered yes if a name band were gotten, and other commented, "Why not?", "Yes, yes, by all means".

SENIOR PLANS—

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Edgar M. Glenn is to go into the publishing business, while Frank V. Phelps will be going to Columbia Business School.

Members of the senior class of Alpha Delta Phi have registered their intentions concerning next year as follows: Gordon C. Sammis and Bruce C. Eisson plan to enter law school. Henry Eagle is to work with the New Jersey Zinc Co. Farley G. Fish is registering at a business school while Stuart Russell plans to study for his M.A. in literature. F. Hamilton Gouge is going into advertising, and Wesley D. Sprague plans to teach.

Most Psi Upsilon seniors will be doing post graduate work next year. Walter F. Rogers is going to Syracuse Medical School. James C. Harding will be in law school, while David R. Tomlinson will be at Cornell Medical School. Boris H. Klosson plans to enter Fletcher School of Diplomacy, and eventually intends to devote himself to the diplomatic service. Edward J. Wyncoop will be in business. Robert M. Langdon and Bernard F. Maloy plan to teach next year.

Hamilton Life will continue listing those activities which seniors plan to engage in when they get out in the cold, cold world.

COLGATE ASSEMBLY—

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accomplished of a material nature. The assembly was ostensibly a non-partisan organization, but rifts developed along strict party lines. Hamilton, Griffith added, was usually on the minority side of each question.

Following the program on Friday night, a banquet and dance were held in the student union building.

ROPES OF SAND—

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and his boys dragged down a cool $3,800 at VMI for a one night stand a few week-ends ago. Not only did Glenn get the $3,800 for the performance, but also got half of the net receipts after the $3,800 tariff had been deducted. We don't know how the cadets of VMI could keep "in the mood" when they. though that each hot lick was setting them back about $100, because for our own part, we'd rather take our Glenn Miller via the nickelodeon anyway, preferring to pocket the $3,800.

Probably the chief responsibility of a collegiate editor is his duty to "lead student opinion", Ever since we put on the editorial mantle last week, we have been living in the fear that some morning we may wake up and find that we are not a leader but a mere headman. But whether we are a real leader or just a headman, one thing we have always been sure of. That is that for a man to try to lead student opinion without having one iota of a conception as to what the student opinion is, is impossible. Therefore, we began to wonder how we can best determine what the opinion of the student body of Hamlton College really is. We came to the conclusion that we can determine just that by introducing two new features into **Hamilton Life.** One of these is to have an "Inquiring Reporter" column in which three or four undergraduates can give their reaction to one question every week. The other new feature wil be polling of student opinion every other week or so. This will be done in chapel by giving out ballots on questions in which we believe the undergraduate body might be interested.

HARPIST—

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Introduction and Allegro for Harp, Flute, Clarinet, and String Quartet. During this number, the flute was played by Henry Hambrecht, the first flutist of the Utica Civic Orchestra.

The choir then brought the concert to a close with the rendition of three negro spirituals and a Czechoslovakian folk song. Thomas O'Donnell, '42, was soloist.

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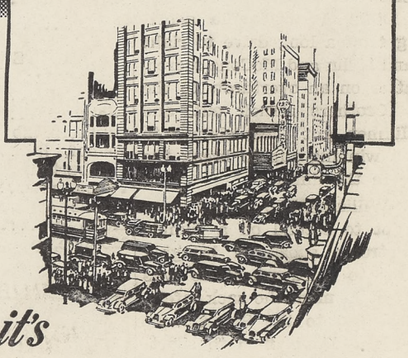

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